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The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of November 20, 2001 for two months to April 20, 2002. (The due date of April 20, 2002 fell on a Saturday, and so requesting this extension on Monday, April 22 is timely and requires only a two-month extension.)

Please charge the extension fee of \$200 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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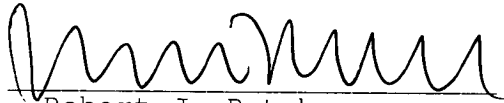
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A responsive paper is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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